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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
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**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

32 APRIL 21, 2009

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING NO. MOU.P01LACHB01  
BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL  
PARK-AND-RIDE PROGRAM  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

This action is to amend the current Memorandum of Understanding No. MOU.P01LACHB01 to increase the amount of funding provided by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority for the Hollywood Bowl Park-and-Ride Program.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Find that this activity is statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to negotiate and execute an Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding No. MOU.P01LACHB01 with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to increase funding for the Hollywood Bowl Park-and-Ride Program.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to secure additional funding from the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) to offset the County of Los Angeles' (County) net operating costs for the Hollywood Bowl Park-and-Ride Program (Program).

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding is in line with these goals by reinforcing the County's fiscal capacity by increasing the amount of an external funding source and by further supporting this regional transportation program.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

An increase in the annual funding provided by Metro will further reduce the County's net operating costs of the Program by up to 87 percent or an annual amount set by the Metro Board. For Fiscal Year 2008-09, Metro approved funding of \$847,000, an increase of \$325,000 over the amount stipulated in the existing Memorandum of Understanding No. MOU.P01LACHB01 (MOU), decreasing our cost of this Program from \$620,311 to \$295,311, which is financed from the Transit Enterprise Fund administered by the Department of Public Works (Public Works).

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Your Board has previously approved providing public transportation from outlying park-and-ride lots throughout the County to Hollywood Bowl performances during the past 35 summer seasons.

In 1997, the Metro Board authorized an annual grant of \$522,000 to the County to partially subsidize the cost of providing this regional service, as it serves the residents of the cities as well as unincorporated County residents, from 14 park-and-ride lots throughout the County.

In March 1999, the Director of Public Works negotiated and executed the MOU with Metro for ongoing, dedicated funding for the Program. The MOU stipulated that Metro provide annual funding not to exceed \$522,000 to cover part of the net operating costs of the Program. Initially, the grant covered 87 percent of the net operating costs; however,

by 2007, the grant covered only 51 percent of the net operating costs. For Fiscal Years 2007-08 and 2008-09, Metro approved an increase of this funding to \$847,000 in their annual budget. They recently informed us they need to amend the MOU since the original MOU has the \$522,000 limit. Metro also agreed to keep up with inflation and to restore the regional nature of the funding by bringing it back to 87 percent of the net operating costs, which is close to the percentage of City residents in the County. As a result, Metro is amending the MOU to increase the funding amount to fund 87 percent of the net operating costs on an annual basis, not to exceed the amount they approve in their annual budget. The County will provide financing in excess of the grant amount. County Counsel will review and approve the Amendment as to form.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

On November 25, 2008, your Board found the continuation of the Program and the fare increase to be statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 21080(b)(10) of the Public Resources Code. This exemption provides for the implementation of passenger or commuter transit services. The proposed Amendment is also statutorily exempt from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to Section 21080(b)(10) of the Public Resources Code.

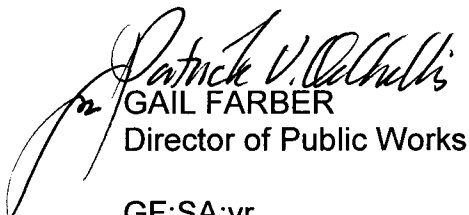
#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

This action provides for the continuation of the Program at a lower net cost to the County.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Please return three adopted copies of this letter to the Public Works, Programs Development Division.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director of Public Works

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County Counsel